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## Mexico

## Poultry and Products

# Delaware Banned to Export Poultry Meat to Mexico 2004

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**Report Highlights:**

On February 10, 2004, the government of Mexico announced that Delaware would be included in the list of states banned to export poultry meat to Mexico due to the avian influenza outbreak in that state.

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Includes PSD Changes: No  
Includes Trade Matrix: No  
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Due to the avian influenza (AI) outbreak in the state of Delaware, the Secretariat of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, Fisheries and Food (SAGARPA), through the Animal Health Directorate announced on February 10, 2004, that this state will be included in the list of banned states to export live birds, meat, carcasses, viscera, trimmings, fertile eggs, and table eggs to Mexico. Accordingly, the following table from Report MX4013 has been updated.

### REGULATIONS FOR POULTRY AND POULTRY PRODUCTS EXPORTS

ITEM	RAW POULTRY FOR RETAIL ① CLQS.	RAW POULTRY FURTHER PROCESSING②	FULLY COOKED PRODUCTS	TABLE AND HATCHING EGGS	THREE DAY OLD CHICKS
END STATES EXPORT STATUS②	NO	YES	YES	NO	NO
AI STATES EXPORT STATUS③	NO	YES	YES	NO	NO
REQUIRED LANGUAGE ON CLEANING AND DISINFECTION OF TRUCKS	YES	YES	NO	YES	YES
REQUIRED SEALING OF TRUCKS AT POINT OF ORIGIN	YES	YES	NO	YES	YES
AGAR GEL TEST REQUIRED	YES	NO	NO	YES④	YES④
NEW CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS ON END⑤	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
NEW LABELING AND EXPORT REQUIREMENTS	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO

① SAGARPA suspended imports of bone-in chicken leg quarters for further processing because some importers declaring this product was undergoing further processing was in reality being diverted to local markets for direct consumption.

② The four states affected by END are: Texas, California, Nevada and Arizona. The ex-buffer states of Oregon, Idaho, Utah, Colorado and New Mexico can now export to Mexico complying with stringent testing END certifications. Except Texas, all END affected states are not eligible to store or consolidate raw product for direct human consumption or further processing. Restrictions should be lifted in accordance with the terms of the safeguard agreement.

③ The nine states affected by low path AI are: Maine, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Virginia, North Carolina, Texas, California and Delaware. Restrictions should be lifted in accordance with the terms of the safeguard agreement for all of the affected states, except for Connecticut and California because they are still implementing an eradication program with vaccines; and Delaware because of the recent detection of AI.

④ Test should be conducted on a quarterly basis.

⑤ Statement for meat, meat products and by products. -"That the product comes from flocks that have a 70 bird monitoring program which began after the age of 12 days, using viral isolation and velogenic strain identification tests and interbrain pathogenic index test in one-day old chicks; and is carried out on each lot entering a particular farm, obtaining Newcastle Disease velogenic presentation negative results."

⑥ Imports are only approved to proceed to Federal Inspected Plants (TIF) and non-TIF meat processing facilities. Meat processors/importers are also responsible of submitting a letter before SAGARPA indicating that all raw poultry ingredients will be subject to thermal treatment. (See reports MX 3002 & MX 3009)

For additional information regarding poultry meat and egg products exports to Mexico see the web page USDA/FSIS/Export Library at <http://www.fsis.usda.gov/OFO/export/Mexico.htm>